

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ilan SHALEV  
Serial Number: 10/509,348  
I.A. Filing Date: March 26, 2003  
Title: VASCULAR COUPLING DEVICE  
Art Unit: 3767  
Examiner: Mehta Bhisma

Mail Stop Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

Further to a restriction requirement dated July 11, 2006, applicant selects species I, including claims 33-35, as well as the generic claims 1-15, 19-24, 26-32, 36-39 and 44-47, without traverse.

An action on the merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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